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REMARKS Summary of paragraphs 2, 3, 5 and 6 previously reported by same source.

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1. On 8 October 1951, 5 tank trucks and 2 trucks, [redacted] were seen on a troop train which passed through the Dresden-Klotzsche railroad station toward Koenigsbrueck. (1) 25X1C

2. On 9 October, the barracks installation on the east side of Washingtonstrasse, Dresden-Neubau, was more heavily occupied than previously. Troops observed wore black-bordered black epaulets and red-bordered black epaulets. A convoy of 24 trucks with soldiers with black-bordered black epaulets was seen entering the installation. Nineteen of the trucks were loaded with pontoons, bridge-building equipment, planks and boards. [redacted] On 9 October, six camouflaged [redacted] were still placed at the Elbe River bend between Washingtonstrasse and Scherfenborger Strasse. Twenty-two soldiers were playing soccer and 10 soldiers were watching. (3) 25X1C

3. On 11 October, billeting equipment, guarded by about 20 soldiers, was piled on the loading ramp of the Bornburg-Maldau railroad station. The Adolf Hitler Kaserne was vacant. (4) 25X1C

4. At 5 p.m. on 14 October, a convoy of eight trucks [redacted] passed through Rostlau toward Dessau. The vehicles were occupied by troops with black-bordered black epaulets and carried a crane and timber. (5)

5. A train which stood at the Oschatz railroad station on 15 October consisted of an undetermined number of boxcars with troops and flatcars carrying 10 trucks [redacted] Eleven trucks [redacted] 25X1C

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[redacted] 28 trucks [redacted] hauled ammunition boxes, billeting equipment and coal from the railroad station to the Infanterie Kaserne and the Ulanen Kaserne. The troops observed with the vehicles were red-bordered black epaulets. On 16 October, about 50 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, 10 heavy tanks [redacted] 25X1C

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[REDACTED] 3 trucks and 1 ambulance were at the railroad station.

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Trucks with [REDACTED] operated by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, hauled billeting equipment and ammunition boxes to the airfield. (6)

6. On 17 October, the occupation of the barracks installations in Leipzig-Gohlis had not changed. Vehicles observed at the Heiterblick Kaserne had

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[REDACTED] On 17 October, vehicles 25X1C

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[REDACTED] hauled billeting equipment to the installation. On 18 October, vehicles with [REDACTED] operated by soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets, hauled billeting equipment from the Markramstedt railroad station to the barracks installation in Leipzig-Schoenau. (7)

7. On 16 October, trucks [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] hauled logs from the Dossau [REDACTED] yard toward Kuehnau. Individual vehicles driving toward Kuehnau [REDACTED]

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Comments.

- (1) The tank trucks belonged to the 9th Tank Div. Two other sources reported that the division started returning to its home stations during the same days. [REDACTED]

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The shipping of tank trucks to the troop training grounds indicates that some components were to return by road. (2) The vehicle [REDACTED] according to previous information, assigned to a headquarters engineer unit of the First Gds Mecz Army. It can therefore be concluded that components of the hitherto unlocated 1st Assault Engr Regt of the army are stationed in the barracks installation in Dresden-Mobigau. Elements of the unit probably returned from engineer exercises. However, the unit was not observed at any of the engineer training sites this summer. [REDACTED]

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- (3) The AA gun emplacement has not changed since the report of July 1951 from the same source. Two other sources reported only four AA guns in February and May 1951 respectively. [REDACTED]

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- (4) The Waldau railroad station is located north of the Adolf Hitler Kaserne. On 18 September 1951, another source reported that the installation was only partly occupied and stated that a new tank unit would move in in the fall of 1951. Therefore the future location of the unidentified engineer regiment of the GDFG which is carried there is undetermined. [REDACTED]

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- (5) A convoy of the 36th Pan Bridge Regt of the GDFG, which is stationed in Rossau.

- (6) The information from the post confirms that a component of the 9th Tank Div returned to its post from the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds. See

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Comment (1).

- (7) The trucks hauling billeting equipment to the barracks installation in Leipzig belong to the 8th Gds Mecz Div and indicate that this division also returned from the troop training grounds. On 14 October, another source reported an artillery component of the division to have left Koenigsbrueck.

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This is the first report stating that vehicles of headquarters units of the First Gds Mecz Army and the 8th Gds Mecz Div moved into the Flak Kaserne Leipzig-Schoenau, to date, only components of the Eighth Gds Army have been carried there.

- (8) The information indicates that engineer training in the Gross Kuehnau area was still in progress in mid-October. Ten of the vehicles mentioned belong to: the XXVIII Gds Mtz Rifle Corps, including the corps headquarters; the 880th Engr Bn; the 88th Engr Bn of the 20th Gds Mecz Div; and the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. One of the vehicles belongs to headquarters units of the LXIX Mtz Rifle Corps, 1 to the air force and 1 to the 47th Gds Mecz Regt of the 14th Gds Mecz Div.

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